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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Hiroshi NOBUTA, et al.) : Examiner: James A. Thompson
Application No.: 08/579,733) : Group Art Unit: 2625
Filed: December 28, 1995) : Confirmation No.: 4611
For: IMAGE PROCESSING) :
DEVICE AND METHOD : March 22, 2007

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Sir:

Introductory Comments

In response to the final Official Action dated January 24, 2007, the Examiner is respectfully requested to amend the above-identified application as follows: